

REMARKS

Applicants are refiling (above) the claim amendments initially filed on August 5.

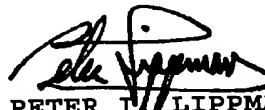
This refiling is responsive to the "Notice of Noncompliant Amendment" mailed December 27.

As directed in that Notice, only the entire "corrected section" of the August 5 is presented explicitly above — and the Applicants respectfully ask that the Examiner refer to the August 5 amendment for the Remarks section of that amendment.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's favorable reconsideration and allowance of all the claims now standing in this case. It is respectfully requested that, should there appear any further obstacle to allowance of the claims herein, the Examiner telephone the undersigned attorney to try to resolve the obstacle.

Respectfully submitted,



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